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**COMMITTEES:**

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**Minutes of the Senate Local, Urban & State Affairs Committee**  
Tuesday, December 1, 2009  
3:00 p.m.  
Room 110 of the Farnum Building

Chairman Van Woerkom called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

Members present: Senators Van Woerkom, Birkholz, Allen, Gleason, and Basham.

Senator Gleason motioned to approve the minutes from October 27, 2009 and the motion was supported by Senator Basham. The minutes from October 27, 2009 were approved.

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Callie Collins representing Sen. Hunter, Ann Capela representing the City of Inkster, and Ralph Welton representing the City of Inkster to introduce House Bill 4801.

Ms. Capela spoke in support of the legislation and stated her belief that it promotes safety and protects against abuses.

Mr. Welton stated that more and more rentals are occurring in the present economy and this bill would bring the inspection program in line with those employed in many communities for other rental inspections.

Chairman Van Woerkom asked the clerk to explain the differences contained in the S-1 substitute.

Sen. Birkholz moved to adopt the S-1 Substitute for House Bill 4801 with support from Sen. Gleason. The substitute was adopted 5-0.

Mr. William Perone, Michigan Manufactured Housing Association and Jim Hoekstra, Sun Community testified in support of the S-1 substitute of HB 4801.

Andy Schor, Michigan Municipal League, testified in support of HB 4801 but expressed concern over a change contained in the S-1 substitute.

Chairman Van Woerkom read the names of those who did not wish to speak on HB 4801 (S-1), but wished to have their opinion stated.

Those who supported HB 4801 (S-1) were:

- Tom Hickson, Michigan Association of Counties.
- David Bertram, Michigan Townships Association.

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Sen. Cherry to introduce Senate Bill 935, which allows the Oakland County Flea Market to reopen. Sen. Cherry introduced Tristan Spindler, a vendor at the Oakland County Flea Market, who spoke in favor of SB 935.

Chairman Van Woerkom asked Sen. Gleason to explain the changes contained in the S-1.

Sen. Gleason moved to adopt the S-1 Substitute for Senate Bill 935 with support from Sen. Basham. The substitute was adopted 5-0.

Chairman Van Woerkom read the names of those who did not wish to speak on SB 935, but wished to have their opinion stated.

Those who supported SB 935 were:

- Brett Marr, representing Oakland County.
- Tom Hickerson, Michigan Association of Counties.

Senator Birkholz moved to report out House Bill 4801 (S-1) with support from Senator Allen. HB 4801(S-1) passed favorably, 5-0. Senator Birkholz motioned to report out HB 4801(S-1) with immediate effect with support from Senator Allen. HB 4801(S-1) was reported favorably, 5-0, with immediate effect.

Senator Birkholz moved to report out SB 935 (S-1) with support from Senator Birkholz. SB 935 (S-1) passed favorably, 5-0. Senator Gleason motioned to report out SB 935 (S-1) with immediate effect with support from Senator Birkholz. SB 935(S-1) was reported favorably, 5-0, with immediate effect.

Senator Gleason motioned for adjournment with no objection.  
Chairman Van Woerkom adjourned the committee at 3:44 p.m.